

MCB's Huntsville Harmony Youth Band

The MUSKOKA CONCERT BAND is very excited to announce the start of a new youth music program in Huntsville.

We are looking for students from grade 6-10 (ages 11-15 yrs.) preferably with some experience on a band instrument who would love to learn how to play in a band more effectively on their chosen band instrument.

Alana Hall and Kim Barlow will be the instructors for this ensemble.

Alana Hall has been teaching young people to play since she was 15 years old. She has inspired many young people to become more holistic musicians. Her bands have achieved high levels of success at Regional and National MusicFest and Kiwanis Music Festivals.

Kim Barlow, a long time and very active member of the Muskoka Concert Band, has successfully conducted the Kingfisher Cottage Band (adult beginning and intermediate groups) for the past nine years. She comes with many years of experience in music and is excited to share this with youth in the area.

Students will be given a solid beginning to music through basic rudiments, breath control, posture, development of technique and will receive individual coaching when needed; all required in order to play more efficiently.

Playing in an ensemble will help to foster teamwork skills and the art of musical style. We will encourage creativity and musical expression while allowing students to voice their opinions and ask for assistance in a safe environment.

In addition, proper rehearsal and concert etiquette will be taught and expected from instructors, volunteers, students and parents.

Our program will offer FALL, WINTER and SPRING sessions each with 10 classes and one concert at the end of each session. Each session will cost \$60 per student. Should you need assistance with this, please contact Kim Barlow at huntsvilleharmonyb@gmail.com or 705-789-8860.

Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 4:30-6pm at Huntsville Public School in Room 209. Rehearsals start at 4:30 sharp so students are expected to arrive 15 minutes early to get set up.

Students will provide their own band instruments and class method books (TBA - we will order them for you). Instrument rentals are available through Cosmo and St John's Music and can be delivered to us in Huntsville. Please contact Alana or Kim for more details. Music for each class will be provided as part of the fee.